

ask the sexpert

Do the terms "gay" and "homosexual" have different meanings, or are they pretty much interchangeable?

People often use the term homosexual to describe anyone who experiences a sexual attraction to, or a relationship with, a person of the same sex. However, this usage is misleading. Correctly used, the term homosexual describes persons

who have a continuing preference for sexual partners of the same sex. The key word in this definition is "continuing." At some point in their lives, many people experience feelings of sexual attraction to a person or persons of the same gender. Having such feelings does not necessarily mean that you are homosexual.

"Gay" is used by many as a

synonym for "homosexual," but some gay organizations deliberately use the term to imply something beyond sexual orientation. For many gay men and women, the term implies a consciousness of their wholeness and worth as human beings and their responsibility to educate people and confront prejudice.

In this sense, "gay" defines

people socially and politically as well as sexually.

I am a male in very good physical health, but the last two times I tried to have intercourse I couldn't maintain an erection. This has never happened to me before, and it worries me. Should I see a doctor?

Just about all men at one time or another have been unable to get or keep an erection. Some-

times the problem is mental. Possible reasons for having difficulty with an erection are a lack of privacy (children or roommates nearby), fear of impregnating a woman, stress in other areas of your life (exams or a new job) and nervousness about being with a new person. Simply identifying feelings like these may be helpful.

Occasionally, not being able to keep an erection once causes so much worry that it may become difficult the next time. In that case, you should try to relax and avoid feeling pressure to "perform." Unless this happens with increasing frequency and there is greater concern, there is no need to consult a doctor.

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Workshop to deal with overcrowding

The problem of overcrowding in state prisons will be the subject of a workshop April 24 at the Valley River Inn.

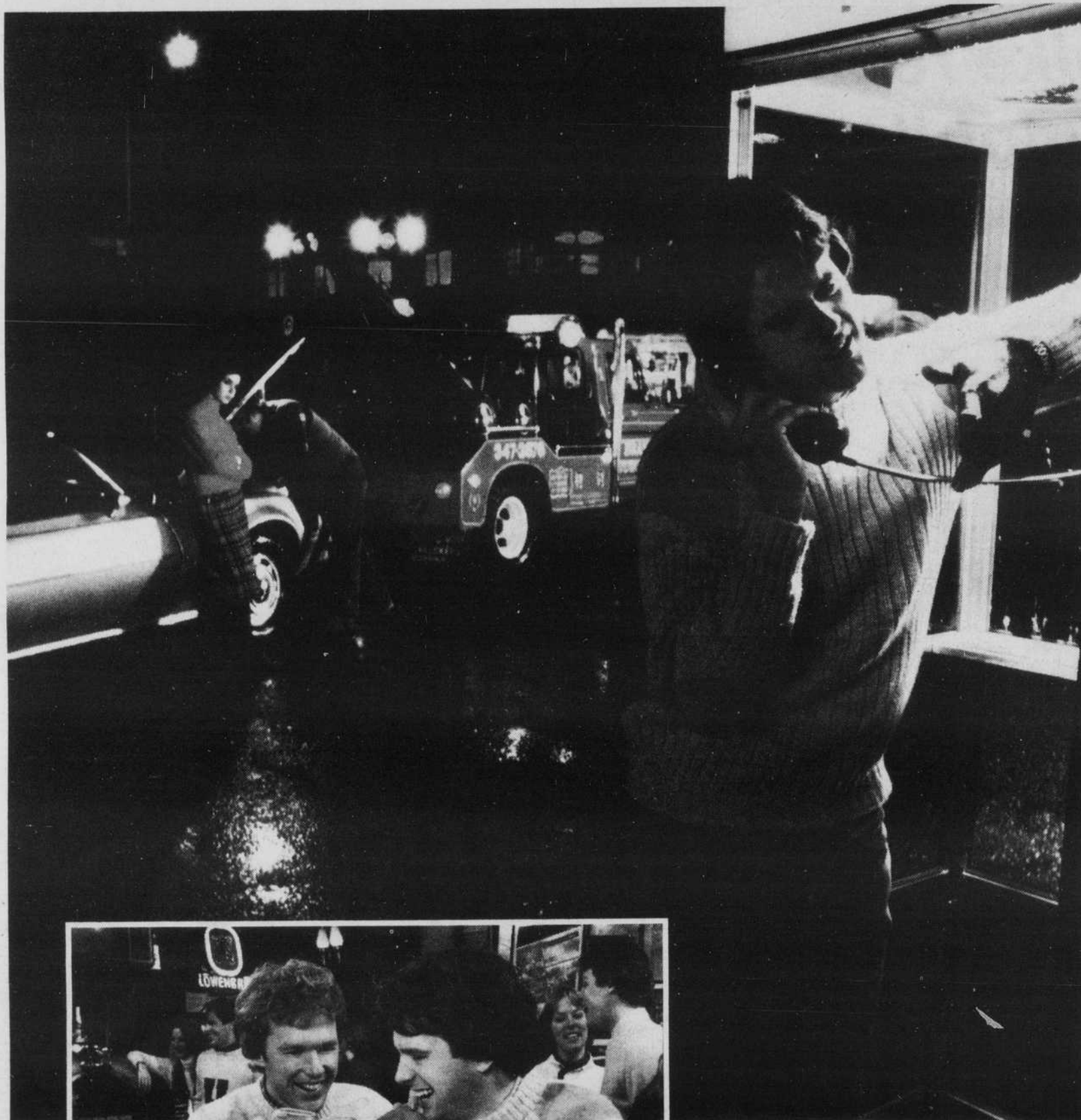
The workshop is co-sponsored by the University community service and public affairs department and the continuing education center as part of the justice series.

Registration for full-time University students is \$10. Students wishing to earn one graduate credit through CSPA for attending the workshop must register today.

The workshop begins at 9 a.m. with the keynote address "What is Institutional Overcrowding?" by Dr. Barry Krisberg, director of the San Francisco National Council on Crime and Delinquency Center.

At 10 a.m. there will be a panel discussion of the factors influencing prison overcrowding. Panel members will include O.R. Chambers, executive director of the Oregon Division of Corrections, University sociology Prof. Kenneth Polk, Lane County Circuit Court Judge Gordon Cottrell, Elizabeth Browne, chairer of the state Parole Board, and University Law Prof. Peter Ozanne.

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